

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGISTS
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

The annual Executive Committee meeting convened at 9:30 a.m., Friday, January 31, 1958, in the President's Conference Room, Bovard Administration Bldg., USC campus, Los Angeles. President John P. Kenney presided. Present were:

Edward A. Farris - Director of Law Enforcement Training, College of the Sequoias
Richard O. Hankey - Assoc. Prof. of Police Science & Adm., Los Angeles State College
O. R. Mascarenos - Detective Sergeant, Santa Fe, New Mexico
R. A. Myren, Acting Chairman, Dept. of Police Adm., Indiana Univ., Bloomington, Ind.
William B. Melnicoe - Asst. Prof. of Law Enf., Sacramento State College
Clyde B. Vedder - Professor of Correctional Adm., Univ. of Arizona
A. C. Germann - Professor of Police Science, Long Beach State College
John P. Kenney - Assoc. Prof. of Public Administration, Univ. of Southern California
Marcel Frym - Criminal Consultant, Hacker Psychiatric Clinic and Lecturer at USC
Samuel H. Jameson - Lecturer at Univ. of So. Calif., Consultant Calif. Taxpayers Assoc.
William Dienststein - Assoc. Prof. of Social Science and Criminology, Fresno State College
Ray Galvin - Graduate Assistant, Univ. of Southern California
John B. Fink - Research Psychologist, Dept. of Psychiatry, UCLA
G. D. Gourley - Head of Dept. of Police Science & Adm., Los Angeles State College

The first topic for discussion was the matter of incorporation of the Society. Marcel Frym was appointed to obtain legal services and proceed with incorporation.

The matter of preparing a prospectus was discussed. The purpose is to enable the Society to apply for a grant after incorporation.

The matter of research was discussed and it was concluded that four areas of procedure were essential: (1) Collection of research information; (2) Review of related fields; (3) Collection of material; (4) Requirements for new research.

The matter of publications was discussed. It was suggested that specific individuals be requested to contribute articles assigned related to their field of special interest.

The question was raised as to what can be done to counteract unfounded and distorted presentations in professional journals and texts.

It was suggested that a committee be appointed to prepare a resolution to be sent to editors and publishers setting out criteria for publication of professional articles and books in the criminology field. So moved by Farris, seconded by Melnicoe, and passed.

Marcel Frym moved that a committee be formed to organize a comparative criminological study of the research on an international level. Seconded by Farris, Passed.

A letter from the AAAS was read requesting the Society to submit a nominee for section K. From the nominations received several were to be selected to attend a national conference. The name of Samuel Jameson was submitted by Hankey. Seconded by Farris. Passed.

The matter of relationship with other related professional organizations was discussed. It was suggested that a copy of the Constitution with an appropriate covering letter be sent to these organizations.

It was moved by Jameson, seconded by Germann and passed that the secretary-treasurer be authorized the necessary expenditure for printing the Constitution.

The resolutions committee was requested to prepare a resolution on the death of member, Douglas Kelly.

It was suggested that a matter for further consideration and implementation be the preparation of a bibliography on available research material in criminology.

Myrens suggested that the Society set up a means whereby a listing of available trained teaching personnel in the field be available as well as programs in police and corrections and job opportunities.

Melnicoe was appointed to serve as coordinator of the collection of data bulletins, etc. about criminology programs and prepare a compilation thereof yearly.

It was suggested that members send out application forms and letters to persons they feel should be members of this Society.

The President appointed the following committees:

Nominating: Hankey (Chr.), Frym, Simon, Jameson

Resolutions: Jameson (Chr.), Melnicoe, Galvin, Farris

Prospectus: Kenney (Chr.), Myren, Dienstein, Germann

Finance: Farris, Germann, Myren

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

William Dienstein
Secretary - Treasurer